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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

) Group Art Unit: 3635

Garth Aaron Hystad

) Examiner: Yvonne M. Horton

Serial No.: 09/776,530

) REQUEST FOR 3 MONTH EXTENSION
OF TIME

Filed: February 3, 2001

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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR DECK
AND RAIL CONSTRUCTION USING WOOD
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

Applicant, through his attorneys, respectfully petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) of three (3) months to respond to the Office Action mailed on June 11, 2002, with respect to the above-identified application, thereby extending the period for response from first deadline September 11, 2002, to December 11, 2002.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$460.00 as payment for the extension fee. Please credit any overpayment or debit any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-2665.

Respectfully submitted,
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